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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated September 12, 2002, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice or disclaimer.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121, please substitute for original claims 1, 6 and 7, the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Marked Up Version Showing Changes Made."

1. (Amended) A rotating electric machine having a stator with a slot for housing coils, and a closing member for closing the opening of the slot and forming a cooling passage in the slot, wherein the coils are formed from concentrated windings, the rotating electric machine comprising: